GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
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PRESERVATION OF PRIMITIVE TRIBES CULTURE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes run by the Government to protect and preserve the culture of primitive tribes in the country including Aadim Tribes;

(b) the work undertaken in term of publicity and compilation of the primitive tribesman folk songs of bravery; and

(c) the details of participation of the primitive Aadim Tribes in the first war of independence for the country in 1857?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a): While there is no comprehensive scheme operated by the Ministry of Culture that is specifically for the protection and preservation o f culture of primitive tribes including Aadim tribes , a scheme for 'Financial assistance to professional Groups and individuals engaged for specific Performing Arts projects' is being implemented, under which financial assistance is provided to dramatic groups, theatres groups, music ensembles, Children's theatres and for all groups of performing art activities in the country including those dealing with tribal culture. Also under the scheme for "Financial Assistance for Setting Up and Promotion of Local and Regional Museums", it is open to State/UT Governments, autonomous bodies and non-governmental agencies to apply for financial assistance for setting up museums on tribal culture. One such proposal has been approved in principle and Rs. 10 lakh have been released for preparation of a detailed project report for a museum on Naga heritage. In addition, the seven Zonal Cultural Centres, the Anthropological Survey of India and the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya at Bhopal also have schemes in this field.

(b) & (c): The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.